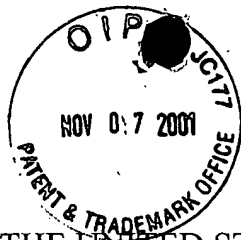


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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97-1.98,

Applicant herewith calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

A copy of a Japanese Notice of the Reason for the Rejection (Office Action) mailed August 21, 2001 with respect to related Japanese Patent Application No. HEI 11-035889 is enclosed, along with an English Language Translation, in which the following documents are cited:

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. HEI 10-341304, which was published on December 22, 1998, along with an English language Abstract and a partial English language translation of the relevant portion of the same; and

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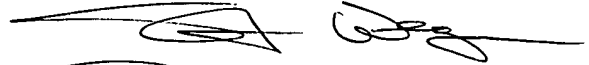
Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite the above-mentioned documents. Copies of these documents, as well as a copy of the Japanese Office Action and an English language translation of the same, are attached and are listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. The relevancy of each document is noted in the Notice of the Reason For the Rejection. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the same to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of this document.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not yet issued in the instant application. Further, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), the undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. Of course, this statement does not apply to information that has previously been cited by Applicant or the Examiner in the present application as that information is already of record and no certification is necessary.

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Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned
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